RESOLUTION NO. 05-3333

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF CALIFORNIA'S GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION TARGETS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS.

WHEREAS, global warming due to increased levels of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere poses a variety of potential problems for California, including reduced air quality and related respiratory disease, reduced fresh water supply due to depleted snowpack in the Sierras, diminished crop yield due to changing micro-climates and increasing populations of pests, and rising sea levels that threaten California's more than 1000 miles of coastline; and

WHEREAS, California has been a world leader in efforts to decrease greenhouse gas emissions, and California businesses have reaped the rewards of more efficient and environmentally friendly production processes, in the form of billions in cost savings that have translated into higher profits and lower prices for consumers; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2005, the Governor signed Executive Order S-3-05, establishing an ambitious yet achievable set of targets for greenhouse gas emission reductions in California: by 2010 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 2000 levels, by 2020 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels, and by 2050 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 80 percent below 1990 levels; and

WHEREAS, the City of West Hollywood values responsibility for the environment and actively supports state and federal efforts to improve environmental quality; and

WHEREAS, local governments can be particularly influential in affecting their community's environmental impacts, through regulation of land use, transportation, construction, waste management, and implementation of projects or ordinances promoting responsible energy use and sustainable development:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of West Hollywood supports California's greenhouse gas emission reduction targets as stated above, as well as proactive efforts at all levels of government to achieve these targets.

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 5th day of December, 2005 by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmember:

Duran, Guarriello, Mayor

Pro Tempore Heilman,

Prang, and Mayor Land

NOES:

Councilmember:

None

ABSENT:

Councilmember:

None.

ABSTAIN.

Councilmember:

None.

ABBE LAND, MAYOR

ATTEST: